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Dear Howard,

I (and Lil when she reads it tonight) appreciate your letter and the thoughtfulness of your parents. I suppose there now is no time when, if someone helps, it doesn't come at a time of crisis. But yesterday I couldn't get the car started, had to have a service call this a.m. and a new repair -which this just nicely takes care of. I do, very much, appreciate it and more, the thought behind it. This also, perhaps, tells me something about your father. If he and you accept the invitation I extended, I think he might want to read what is not tied up with your immediate interests, both parts of COUP.

Bishop- no rush.

I do not try and keep in mind what I am not immediately involved with, and firin into cotton is one. It seems to me that Dick has not responded to a two-part question: would there not be microscopic markings from even cotton and could not fibers be removed chemically. I asked about the possibility of the use of plastics.

Little as I would argue with Wecht, the usage I gave you is from the testimony. I do not recall whose, but I am certain it was adduced by Specter. I may have cited it in WW. So, aside from your correct thinking, the real point is not whether the word means entry but whether it is used to be synonymous with entry, and in this case it was.

It has not been possible for me to make the copies of various things I'd have preferred because my 3M paper is almost gone. Had you gotten ~~further~~ farthur in the corres files this would mean more to you. But you recall I told you that one of the letters you got gave me the missing item of proof I needed to carry other requests further, and I sent you a carbon of the letter I thereupon wrote? There was an excahnge, I was given Freedom of Information act forms tox fill out. I did and yesterday I got the most incredible response: none of the raw materials of the panel report "exist" in the DJ files! I have written two letters I regard as essential prerequisites to a suit, mailed them, and, unless these are produced, Bud willing, we have a suit I'd like to file immediately. SA.!

We enjoyed your visit. Hope you can come again soon. Please, do thank your parents for me. By the way, I've enough carbon paper for a while, having just been given a box of carbon-attached tissue, from which I'll keep and reuse the carbon. Thanks for it also.

Best,